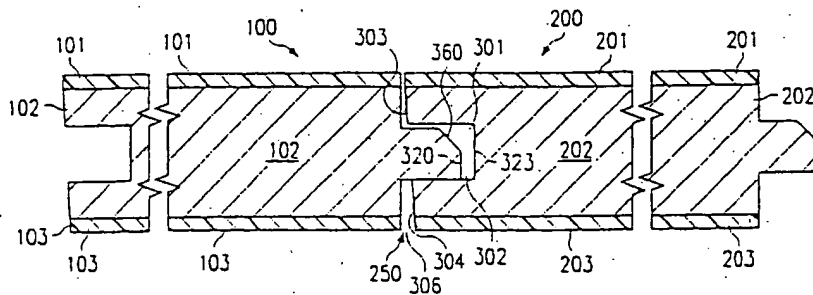


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(54) SYSTEME ET METHODE POUR AMELIORER
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(54) SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR IMPROVING WATER
RESISTANCE OF LAMINATE FLOORING



(57) A system and method for providing a substantially permanent joint between pieces of laminated material wherein the seam between the laminated material is water resistant is disclosed. A preferred embodiment of the present invention utilizes a non-waterbased adhesive, such as a urethane adhesive, in order to provide a seam substantially impermeable to moisture. Preferably the adhesive utilized expands when cured in order to completely fill the seam area and thus prevent infiltration.

